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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:

Robert Linley Muir

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Distributed Game Accelerator

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

SUBSTITUTE PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Applicant respectfully requests that the Amendment dated April 12, 2002 and the Supplementary Amendment dated June 6, 2002 be completely disregarded and replaced with the Substitute Preliminary Amendment herein.

## IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 2-3, 5, 6, 8-13, 16, 18-23, 25-31, 33-39, 41-43, 45-49, 51-53, 55-58, 60, 61, 63, 64, 66, 68, 70, 72-75, 78-81, 84-86, 89-94, 96, 97, 99-110, 112-117, 119-120, and claims 153-156 and amend claims claims 15, 17, 24, 34, 44, 50, 54, 59, 65, 67, 69, 83, 87 and 118 as shown in the Appendix in "marked-up" form and in "clean" form below (Kindly charge Deposit Account No. 50-1290 \$72.00 for the addition of the four dependent claims 153-156):